

AUGUSTUS G. MANTIA, M.D., appointed in 1998 to the Suffolk County Human Rights Commission is an Associate Professor of Medicine, Family Practice, and Psychiatry at Stony Brook University. Dr. Mantia had his own practice in Smithtown which served the community for over 30 years. He is a strong advocate of equality within the healthcare system. In 2005, Dr. Mantia, in conjunction with Stony Brook University and the First Baptism Church in Riverhead, received a grant from the W.K. Kellogg foundation for Project Care, a program to develop computer home monitoring for chronic medical conditions. Dr. Mantia was also appointment to the N.Y. State Department of Health's Medicaid Advisory Committee by the N.Y. State Senate and Governor George Pataki. Dr. Mantia volunteers his time to serve his community as the Hauppauge Volunteer Fire Department's Surgeon, who oversees all medical response and protocols for the Emergency Medical Response Teams and defibrillator programs. In July 2008, Dr. Mantia was appointment as a Deputy Fire Coordinator-Medical Doctor for the County of Suffolk. Also in 2008 he was selected for appointment to the position of Critical Incident Police Surgeon for the Suffolk County Police Department. His appointment followed successful completion of critical training in FEMA Incident Management, Weapons of Mass Destruction, Police Department field operations and protocols, and certification as a Field Physician by the Suffolk County Department of Health Division of EMS. Dr. Mantia has been acknowledged as a "hometown Humanitarian" by the Suffolk County Legislature and was named the 2012 Physician of Excellence by the Suffolk Regional Emergency Medical Services Council. Dr. Mantia serves as a Chair of the Health Committee as well as chair of the Commission's Housing Committee.